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木戸侯爵日記

昭和十六年八月二日分

八月二日(土)

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午前十時出勤

十一時過近衛公來室謝米國領館前次海軍
部内ニ始頭シ來ル形勢ニアリ將來ノ政情
ヲ探査セラレ該部トノ圓滿ナル協調ニ
モ不安ヲ感カレ居ル様子ナリ余ハ米國ニ
シテ油ノ供給ヲ圖ツカ如キ實業ニ當ル場
合ニハ石油ノ供給ヲ失フニ至ルベク而シ
テ貯油量ハ多く見積リテモ二年ヲ過テズ
左スレバ餘程外被工作方ヲ以てニセザレ
バ取返シノツカザル國體ニ遭遇スペシ必
テハ至急陸海軍大臣ト國事ノ根本ニツキ
徹底的ニ論議シ活シ意見合ハサレバ桂通
スルモ不待止ベシ此場合ニハシハ陸海軍
ヲシテ政治ニ偏ラシムルノ外ナカルベシ
ト意見ヲ述ア

總會官長ト右ノ管ニツキ行合ス

二時半開田支那事務所回観

"Extract from Entry from Marquis KIDO's Diary, 7 Aug 41"

August 7th, 1941 - (Extract)

.... Prince KONOYE proceeded to the Palace at 3.30 p.m. He talkod with me from 4 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. after his interview with the Emperor. I expressed my opinions as follows, and asked him to give them full consideration.

1. The situation we are facing now is very serious.
2. We must immediately decide our national policy by holding a meeting between the Government and the Army without loss of time.
3. According to reports received to date, we are not strong enough to fight with the U.S.A. and the Soviet at the same time.
4. We are facing a very serious situation which could be easily reduced to a simple problem such as oil, by making a little difference in our viewpoint.
5. According to the Navy, the quantity of oil in store was so moderate that it would barely supply us throughout two years during peace, and in case of war we would not have enough for more than 1½ years, but the Army estimates there is 1 year's supply for war.
6. If the above mentioned were true, we must reach the conclusion that our war with the U.S.A. would be a hopeless one.
7. The Dutch East Indies and the northern part of Saghalien would be the chief source of oil supply after we were cut off from our American supplies.
8. To occupy Singapore and the Philippine Islands was an essential prerequisite to a successful landing in the Dutch East Indies. Since oil wells would be destroyed during these actions, it would not be possible to obtain oil in necessary quantities for 1½ years.
9. If we attack the Dutch East Indies, the U.S.A. would declare war against Japan. The long-distance transportation of oil under a constant menace of submarines and airplanes would be very dangerous and the result would fall short of our expectations.

10. If there were miscalculation about oil supplies, we would face a very serious situation which might lead to our defeat.

11. We could not do what we wanted on account of the lack of our national power. Although the situation was different in its external appearance, we might be compelled to exercise the same self-restraint as we did after our victory in the Sino-Japanese War in 1895.

12. We should be resolved to toil through ten years of hard struggles.

13. Meanwhile we should do everything to restore friendly relations between the U.S.A. and Japan. And we must try to secure the materials which we need.

14. Our ultimate objective is Japan's advance to the Southern Regions, and in order to attain this object, a ten-year plan has been mapped out as follows:

- a. Establishment of heavy industries and machine-tool industries.
- b. Establishment of a synthetic oil industry.
- c. Expansion of ocean lines and shipping.

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六 戸 令 事 日 記

昭和十六年八月七日分

八月七日(水) 晴

午前九時中島口口次氏來訪。且。

十時四十分ヨリ十一時迄拜門。

武官長石慶來室。是正年令部次長ト面接ノ結果ニツキ附アリタリ。

一時五分ヨリ一時二十分迄御門近ノ次長ノ音韻ノ上管上セル。音韻ノ事向ニツキ御詫アリタリ。

一時半小倉大司大臣來室。資金貢給ノ事。度量金ニツキ附アリ。

二時半武官長石慶來室。年金ノ届向金ニツキ御詫ス。

三時半近衛首座内務記ノ江田伸ヨリ四時半御詫

余ハ大臣左ノ如オ見ヲ越ベ誤送ナル事。アリ。

一今日ノ事。左ヘ異ニ重大ナリト思フ。

一卷書口ヲ巡スコトハ許サレヌ事ニ政局筋自節ノ
往復例ナル體識ニヨリ方針ヲ決定スルノ事アリ
ト思フ。

一今日當余ノ事タル種類テハ國米穀ソ同僚共ハ
余想口體ナリト思フ。

一而シテ風情ニヨツチハ國足ハ極メテ簡單ニ至元
サレタトモ云ヘル旨チ過ノ間口ダ

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一 油ハ海軍ガ二年是トテモ國等ヲスレバ一年半シ
カナイト云フ陸軍ヘ一年位トノコトダ

一 ソコテ緒ニカラ云ヘバ右ガ事實ナリトスレバ列
底米國ニ對シテ必勝ノ國ヲ爲スコトハ出來ナイ
ト云フ外ハナイ

一 米國ヲ外ニシテ手近ニ油ノ候給源ヲ求ムレバ即
印ト北韓太シカナイ

一 航印ヲ攻略スルニハシンガボル、フイリップ
シラク等ノ島嶼スルニアラザレバ國難アラウ而
シテ之等ノ行動中ニ油井ハ破壊サルヘテアラウ
カラ必長ノ油ヲ得セバ到底一年半ズハ難シイト
恩フ。

一 航印ニ手ヲ出セバ米國ハ邊境スルテアラウソウ
スレバ假りニ油方出ルトシテモ英米ノ潜水艦
空母ノ齊成下ニ長距離ノ輸送ハ非常ニ危險事參
ク果セテ所期ノ成果ヲ挙ゲ得ルヤハ頗ル疑ハシ
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一 油シソコニ計算ガアツタスレバ由々似大事テ
我國ハ油ノ不足文テ手ヲ擧グル外ナイト云フコ
トニナル

一 機ツテ今日ノ情勢ヲ單的ニ云ヘバ國力足ラズシ
テ恩フコトガ出来ナイト云フコトデアツテ表面
ノ形ハ變ツテにルガ日清戰役ノ三國干涉ノ場合
ト同ジ決意ヲスル外ナイト云フコトデハナイカ
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一 日チ今後十年ヲ目標トシ風漁管路ノ核心ヲナシ
一 當當リ日本國本ノ課題ヲ済シ所要ノ実績ヲ有ル
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一 國内ニアリテハ如何ノ目的ヲ南進ニ至キテ此ノ
目的達成ノ策メニ大体十年ヲ目標トシ
一 重工業、工作機械工業ノ確立、
一人造石油工業ノ急速ナル確立
一 海洋漁業開拓ノ大發展
等ニ至力ヲ擧ケルコト
而シテ右計畫ノ達成トシテ至急ニ國土計畫ノ實現
ヲ促進スルコト

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